

REMARKS

Claims: Applicant hereby amends claims 1, 16, and 17, as requested by the Examiner on page 2 of the Action mailed October 6, 2005.

Drawings: Applicant submits herewith a true and correct copy of the complete set of drawings, originally submitted with the application on June 24, 2000, but with each sheet now being marked "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin.

Applicant submits that the current amendment fully complies with and addresses all issues raised by the Examiner in Office Action of October 6, 2005 in connection with the present application and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of December 15, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the claims as amended herein. Any questions or comments should be directed to the undersigned attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted:

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